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TAGS: ETRN, TH

SUBJ: CIVAIR: AVIATION TEAM VISIT TO BANGKOK

1. DURING AVIATION TEAM DISCUSSIONS WITH EMBASSY AND AIRLINE REPS IN BANGKOK, INDUSTRY REPS POINTED OUT LARGE SCALE DISCOUNTING WHICH HAS DEVELOPED IN BANGKOK OVER LAST YEAR OR SO. THIS HAS HAD SUBSTANTIAL IMPACT ON US AIRLINE SALES IN BANGKOK. NEWSPAPERS CONTAIN MANY ADS BY TOUR AGENTS OFFERING DISCOUNTS ON SCHEDULED SERVICE UP TO 60 PERCENT FROM NORMAL FARES. DISCOUNTING ALSO REPORTED ON TRAFFIC OUT OF US.

2. INDUSTRY ALSO REPORTS SUBSTANTIAL CUSTOMS DUTIES LEVIED ON IMPORTED GROUND BASED EQUIPMENT BUT HIS DOES NOT SEEM IN VIOLATION OF CUSTOMS ARTICLE WHICH CONTAINS OBSOLETE FORMULATION.

3. NOTHING NEW IN REGARD THAI INTEREST IN GUAM. RECENT LOSS OF DC-8 BY THAI INTER MAY HAVE DAMPENED THAI INTEREST FOR TIME BEING.
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